Redemption Draweth Nigh

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***"When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."* - Luke 21:7 - 28.**

Whenever a preacher begins to talk about Christ's Second Coming, skeptics have a tendency to nod their heads and say in the words of 2 Peter 3:4 - "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." In plain English: "Things haven't changed; don't be so old fashioned and say He's coming back."

A recent survey made among leading seminarians in the United States indicates that the majority of the young men now preparing for the ministry, do not believe in Christ's Second Coming.

Yet a look at many men who preach the Second Coming; who vehemently say they believe in it, proves beyond a shadow of a doubt that they don't. Their lives prove this!

So let's face this problem squarely and as intelligent persons ask ourselves this question: "Do we have any evidence which can lead us to an intelligent answer of this question of Christ's return?" Do we as Christians have the right to say that the world is now facing the "final conflict of the ages?" Do men and women need to be warned of a coming catastrophe, or are we, as one television moderator called me, merely "pornographers of paranoia (fear)?"

In Ezekiel 33:2-4, we have a clear message to preachers. They are to be "watchmen on the walls," warning of impending danger. "When I bring the sword upon a land, if the people of the land take a man of their coasts, and set him as their watchman: If he seeth the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet and warn the people. Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet and taketh not warning; if the sword come and take him away (this literally means "destroy") his blood shall be upon his own head." Then in verse 6 we see that if the watchman "falls down" on his job: if he "goes to sleep at his post"; if he gets careless and fails to warn of the enemies' approach and the inhabitants are destroyed then "his blood will [(God) require at the watchman's hand."

That's the "main reason why I preach hard and refuse to compromise my message, in order to "tickle your ears" and make you feel good. My job as a messenger from God, is not to entertain you, or win a popularity contest, but to tell you the truth. Many times this is unpleasant, for most of us do not like to listen to the truth.

My job is not to convice you that what I say is right. That's the job of the Holy Spirit. I will be accountable for what I present and you will be accountable for what you do with the truth you hear.

It is much more pleasant to speak about the great love of God for wayward mankind and the wonders of heaven, than it is to warn sinful mankind. Somehow, I've never been able to understand why God has given me the task of being a watchman on the walls of Israel-America. I've asked Him in tears, to let me preach a nice, sweet message of consolation for my people, but I have been given this message of warning. This message is my way of "blowing the trumpet." I am saying: "Be prepared, the King will soon be back!"

To have any understanding of prophecy, three factors must be taken into consideration. These are TIME, PLACE and EVENT. This time of occurrence is important and also the place where it happens. If any of these three factors is missing, then that particular prophecy will not be accurate.

As we read through the prophetic Scriptures, we will notice that many of the things which relate to today, have already occurred in history. It is wrong to say that all prophecy is in the future. The reason why predicted events do not always follow immediately in time, is that they have not yet come into the proper "junction." This word "junction," comes from the Latin word "junctio," which

means: "a place, or point of meeting." When two trains are moving on the same track towards each other, the "point of impact," is the "junction" of the two moving objects.

The question we face then is: "What then will make it possible to state with assurance, that the predicted signs have occurred and the events of which they are a signal will follow?"

Jesus one time made a clear statement in which He indicated that the signs must occur at some set time or season, in order to be a signal, or warning of coming changes. In Matthew 15:3, He speaks to the religious and political leaders of Jewry and says: "Oh ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky, but ye cannot discern the sign of the times." What He said was in effect the old saw: "Sun red at night, sailors delight: sun red in the morning, sailors take warning."

So our Lord said that certain TIMES were important as SIGNS. If you point to happening events, without taking into consideration the TIME when they occur, you will be wrong every time.

Jesus was discussing certain signs of foul and fair weather, which appear at SET TIMES OF THE DAY. If these same signs were to appear during the middle of the day, at other than the SET TIME, they would have no meaning. Many prophetic preachers are eager to claim events as warnings, when they are not occurring at the SET TIME.

There are many physical events, such as earthquakes, storms, floods, famines, war and pestilence, which are called SIGNS in the Scripture But the scoffer comes along and says: "So what; these things have been happening since the beginning of time," and this is very true.

But because of unbelief, these so-called intellectual scoffers, fail to recognize that the day of their historical fulfillment has not yet come. The SIGNS have not yet appeared! But rest assured, my skeptical friend, the day will come soon, when the infidel, the agnostic, the atheist and the modernist, all those who belittle God's Word-and this takes in the Fundamentalist who twists it out of shape to fit his own ideas-the day wi11 come when their scholarship will be discredited in the eyes of all men and they will be made to look as fools.

This will include those, who through the "hardness of their hearts," have believed Satan's message, that (God's greatest enemies,) the Jews, are His Chosen People. Our Lord tells us in Revelation 2:9; 3:9 that they "are of the synagogue of Satan." This ought to be enough to tell you who they are-if you believe God's inspired Word.

What we need to decide is: "Are we living today in the period which fulfills the element of TIME?" We know the Scriptures say that the first Advent of our Lord came "in the fulness of time," (Galatians 4:4). This is in full accordance with the prophecy of Daniel 9:24-26, made in 538 B.C. The PLACE of Christ's birth was specified as Bethlehem, according to Micah 5:2, written about 710 B.C.

The temple was to be in operation at this time, according to Malachi 3:1, written about 397 B.C. So we see a focal point in the junction of TIME, PLACE AND EVENT. History proves, beyond the shadow of reasonable doubt, that Jesus Christ came at the TIME and PLACE prophecy had predicted.

Now the question we must ask ourselves is: "Did our Lord give any clues as the TIME, when EVENTS would cease to be ordinary physical happenings and become SIGNS of His return?" I believe He did!

In Matthew 24:34, Christ told His disciples: "This generation (the one which sees the SIGNS take place) shall not pass, until all these things be fulfilled." In verse 29, He states that His return will come "after the tribulation of those days." Nothing is said here about Him returning to rescue a bunch of "milquetoast followers," from their "spiritual foxholes" through a Rapture.

Verse 29 indicates that the Lord will return "Immediately after the tribulation of those days." Verse 30 states: "and then (after the tribulation) shall appear the SIGN of the Son of man in the heavens." Verse 33: "Likewise, when ye shall see all these things (SIGNS), know that it (the Second Coming)

is near, even at the doors."

For the life of me, I can't find a Rapture of the church anywhere in this message. Maybe you are one of those "brainwashed Christians" who will say: "But Jesus was speaking to the Jews. They will be left behind during the tribulation; that will be the time of Jacob's trouble."

But that's not what the Word says. In verse 3, we read that Christ spoke to His disciples. It says: "And as He sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto Him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be?**..."** This clearly indicates that the things Christ was speaking and warning His disciples about, would occur to them. There was only one Jew present, he was the traitor, Judas Iscariot, the others were of the tribe of Benjamin. They were Christians, although they were not yet called by that name. All the predictions of Matthew 24 were made to Christians, about Christians. I know that is not what many of you have been taught, but that's what the Scriptures say **...** read them!

When Jesus said in verse 9 - "They shall deliver you up to be afflicted and shall kill you**..."** who do you think the word THEY referred to? It was certainly not the Romans. In Luke 21:12, Christ identifies these enemies when He says: "Before these (the earthquakes, famines, pestilence and fearful signs of verse 11 take place), before these, THEY SHALL lay hands on you, and persecute you, DELIVERING YOU UP TO THE SYNAGOGUES**..."** There is your clue, "the SYNAGOGUES."

Do you mean to tell me, that as an intelligent person, you believe this means "Jewish persecution of the Jews?" Don't be silly! Of course it doesn't! It has reference to Jewish persecution of "true Israelite Christians;" the one's from whom the bogus Jews are trying to steal the "Jacob birthright."

In the Matthew 24 account, Christ tells us that the generation which sees the "fig tree" begin to bud and put forth leaves, will be the ones who see His return.

Look through Scripture and you will see the "fig tree" has always been representative of Jewry, not Israel. Israel is the "olive tree." In Christ's parable of the Fig Tree, in Matthew 21:19, we see Him use it as an emblem of the Jewish nation. Our Lord said of the "unfruitful fig tree," (the Jews) "Let no fruit grow on thee, henceforth forever." In Matthew 21:43, speaking to the Jewish leaders, Christ said: "Therefore I say unto you, the kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a NATION (notice closely, it says a "Nation," not the Church, or a group of spiritual people, but to a NATION) bringing forth the fruits thereof."

What was He referring to? The preceding verses explain this. Here He tells about the nobleman (God) who sent His Son (Jesus Christ), to the husbandmen (Jews) to receive what was the King's due. But they killed Him!

Now I realize there has been a strange movement underway among Christian groups, to exonerate the Jews from the murder of God's Son. But the Scriptural account leaves no doubt. Matthew 27:25, says that when Pontius Pilate attempted to set Jesus free, the Jews (not their leaders but ALL the people) insisted "His blood be on us, and on our children."

Listen to the Apostle Peter as he thunders at the Jews on the Day of Pentecost, Acts 2:23 - **"...**ye (Jews) have taken, and by wicked hand have crucified and slain." Verse 36 - **"...**God hath made the same Jesus, WHOM YE HAVE CRUCIFIED, both Lord and Christ." Look at 3:14-"But ye (Jews) denied the Holy One and the just, and desired a murderer be granted unto you: and killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead**..."** Acts 4:l0 - "Be it known unto you all (Jews), and to all the people of Israel, that hy the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, WHOM YE HAVE CRUCIFIED**..."** There is no question who hated and killed the Lord. No wonder modern Jewish rabbis want this account excised from the New Testament.

The Jews still hate Him. Why? Because they are not "true Israel." They are phonies. Could this have been what Jesus meant when He told their leaders in John 8:44-"Ye are of your father the devil?" or in John 10:26, when He told them: "But ye believe Me not, because YE ARE NOT MY SHEEP**..."**

How much plainer can it be worded?

Yet in spite of all this, Evangelist Billy Graham, in a November 2, 1968 issue of The Phoenix Gazette, answers a questioner in MY ANSWERS by saying. Another reason (for Christian prejudice against the Jews) may be the MISTAKEN impression that it was the Jews who crucified Jesus. This is not true. The Romans actually killed Him." But that isn't what the Book says, is it? Now who are you going to believe?

If you will carefully read the crucifixion account of John 19: 14-16, you will notice that when the Chief Priests said: "We have no king but Caesar. Then delivered he (Pilate) Him (Jesus) unto THEM (the Chief Priests) to be crucified, and THEY (the Chief Priests) took Jesus and led Him away." In verse 18 we read further: "And He (Jesus) bearing His cross went forth into a place called the place of the skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha. Where THEY (the same THEY of verse 16) crucified Him**..."**

Notice in further collaboration how in verse 6, Pilate said to the Chief Priests: "Take ye Him (Jesus) and crucify Him, for I find no fault in Him."

In John 19:23, where the four soldiers present at the crucifixion cast lots for His robe, there is another indication that this was not a Roman execution, since an official Roman execution called for at least ten soldiers to be present. In Luke 23:25 it says: "He (Pilate) delivered Jesus to THEIR (the Jews) will." Nowhere in the New Testament, which was written by men who had personal knowledge of the crucifixion, are the Romans ever accused of killing our Lord.

Where Billy Graham quotes Scripture out of context in a vain effort to prove there is no difference between Jews and others (Romans 3:22) - **"...**for there is no difference. For all have sinned." The Apostle Paul knew there was a difference when he wrote in 1 Thessalonians 2:14, l5 - **"...**ye also have suffered like things of your countrymen (Greeks), even as THEY (Israelite Christians) have of the Jews." Notice this very carefully: "Who both killed the Lord Jesus, and their own prophets, and have persecuted us (Christians), and THEY PLEASE NOT GOD AND ARE CONTRARY TO ALL MEN." (Emphasis added.) That word "contrary" comes from the Greek word "enantios," which means "antagonistic."

You say: "What has all this to do with Christ's remyse?" It is extremely important for you to understand that the people who sat in the seats of religious power in Jerusalem in 30 A.D. were not Israelites, any more than those who today seek to control Palestine and eventually the world.

In Matthew 27:55, you will find a reference to those "which followed Jesus from Galilee**..."** Again in Mark 15:40, 41, and in Luke 23:27 and John 19:25, 26. These were all Israelites THEY WERE NOT JEWS! They were the only people in the world, that Jesus called His sheep (Matthew 9:6; 15:24)-"I am not sent but (only) to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." The word "lost" as used here is the Greek word "appolumi." It is made up of two root words, "Apo" and "ollumi," and means: "those who have been banished for punishment." In other words, He was speaking to the "dispersed sheep of the house of Israel."

Before He was crucified, Christ had identified His murderers to be non-Israelites. He said they were of Abraham's seed (John 8:37) but were not Abraham's children, (verse 39). In verse 33 of this same illuminating chapter, the Jews declare clearly that they are not Israelites, when their religious leaders arrogantly brag: "We be Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man**..."** Any Sunday School scholar can tell you that true Israel was in bondage in Egypt and later in Assyria and Babylon. But these fellows said: "We have never been in bondage.' When the Jewish leaders declared in John 8:41, **"...**we have one Father, even God," Jesus threw this lie back in their teeth in verse 42 when He said: "If God were your Father ye would love me**..."**

Why is this so important in the unfolding of events which indicate the return of the Lord is at hand? It is because the phony Jews, who have infiltrated Christendom by the millions and who have infected all phases of our society, our government and even our Christian churches, insinuate that

they are the people of the Book, when in reality, they are our worst enemies.

Dr. Gordon Winrod, in his January 1982 "Winrod Letter" states correctly: "Their centuries-long goal has been to gain complete control of all nations of the world by a world government, headed by a dictator-leader, promoted and set up by them. Their scheming has been animated by 'the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil and Satan,' (Revelation 20:2); the 'prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience, (Ephesians 2:2). Their final purpose is to destroy all of God's Christians and everything in the world which gives evidence of the existence of God. Their doctrine is Satanic 'Nihilism," (a doctrince that denies any objective ground of truth and specially moral truths). (If you don't want to accept this, I challenge you to read their religious book the Talmud.)

"That their modus operandi (method of procedure) is Satanically inspired is proven by the clever means through which they rise into power, as well as by their ability to effect their program.

"By what name would they call themselves? ISRAEL AND JEWS! Why? Because they would pretend to be God's people.

"When they have risen into complete control of the world power, where would their headquarters be? JERUSALEM! Why? Because they would pretend to be God's people in God's city.

What national homeland would they claim? The LAND of the Old Testament nation of Israel! Why? Because they would pretend to be God's people returning to the land of God's Old Covenant physical Israel; and they would pretend to be physically fulfilling Old Testament prophecies!

"Why would armies from Russia come down from the North upon this land once known as Israel? In order to make the appearance and deceive gullible Christians into believing the prophecies of Ezekiel 38 and 39 were being fulfilled! This would deceitfully Iconfirm to Christendom that the so-called Jews of Israeli (the workers of the world system of antichrist, the members of the International Sect of the Pharisees) are, indeed, God's people, being attacked by the evil Communists out of the North!

"The Jews took Russia in 1917 and called it Communism; and the masses of the world still do not know that Communism is Jewish. The Jews took Palestine in 1948 and called it Israeli, so that the masses would think they, the Jews, God's Chosen People, were returning to Palestine. The crypto-Jew preachers are telling their Protestant captives that this is the fulfillment of the prophecies of Ezekiel 38 and 39, in that Russian armies will come down on Palestine. You might ask: "If the Jews are behind Communism, why are the Communist nations opposed to Israel?" It is all that simple! It is a fantastic show with the world the stage; and the nations are the marionettes, while the Jews pull the strings."

We could go on to say that this is for the attainment of the ultimate Jewish goal, which is a world Jewish dictatorship, and the destruction of White, Christian civilization. Only true Christianity, stands between them and their goal and unfortunately they have deluded the majority of Christians into believing they are what they are not.

In America the Jews have wormed their way into positions of power, using their immense wealth to control our government and many of our churches. They are at the head of the "peace," and "anti-war" groups and while crying "Peace, Peace!" are preparing for the destruction of the Christian world. Their most effective measure has been infiltration of the Christian church. In Luke 20:19, 20, we read: "And the Chief priests and the scribes, the same hour sought to lay hands on Him (Jesus); and they feared the people**...** And they watched Him, and sent forth spies, which SHOULD FEIGN THEMSELVES TO BE JUST MEN (in other words, infiltrators), that they might hold His words and deliver Him unto power and authority of the governor."

Today these same Jewish infiltrators are seeking to work from within "true Israel". They are crying for "justice, equality and brotherly love" while passing laws and regulations which are designed to deliver Christians into the hands of the anti-Christ government. What has this to do with Christ's

return? TIME, PLACE, EVENT! Read again Luke 21:12 and Matthew 24:9 and see how these days of persecution are already upon us.

Recently, a church in Nebraska was padlocked by the authorities, because their Christian school refused to register with the State. Over 100 Christian churches in California, have had their property confiscated by the State. Persecution in the media and from the "Jewish stooges" in our pulpits, have been used against those who dare to tell the truth about the aliens in our midst who are trying to control and eventually destroy us. Of course the Jews are going to scream to high heaven at any attempt to tell Christians the truth. They know their only chance for success, lies in keeping Christians in a state of "mental blindness."

Every thinking man and woman in America realizes we are witnessing a change which will have a profound effect on our economy; politics and the Christian religion.

The Bible tells us that one of the SIGNS of Christ's return will be great political and economic disturbances. It will be a day of evil propaganda, as the three unclean spirits of Revelation 16:13, go out into the world to prepare the world for the great day of God Almighty.

It will be a time, when according to Jesus in Luke 21:26, men's hearts will fail them through fear, caused by what is happening in the world. Those days are here NOW, my friends! Two of our major killers in this decade are "heart attacks and suicide," both often caused by fear! We see the strange phenomenon of the psychologists and psychiatrists, those who are supposed to tell us what is wrong, as they kill themselves off by suicide, four times faster than the rest of us "nuts." Why? Because they too are afraid!

We are living in a day, when in spite of all our problems and fears; in spite of all the warning of dire trouble ahead, men are living according to Paul's prophecy in 2 Timothy 3:2 - "For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, truce-breakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God, having a form of godliness (religion) but denying the power thereof**..."** If you can't see these SIGNS all around you, it's because you have deliberately closed your eyes to facts.

We are living in a day when false doctrines abound. These have deceived many good people. Probably one of the most dangerous, is the teaching that the Jews are God's Chosen People. This is a teaching which is prevalent in most of our churches, and elevates God's worst enemies to a glorified status. It seeks to sell our Israelite "birthright" for a "mess of stinking Jewish pottage."

It is a day when men everywhere call for "peace," as they prepare for war. All these are SIGNS, in the proper PLACE, and at the PROPER TIME. They herald the great event which will be our Lord's return.

My friends, the old order is about to pass and a new and better age is "just around the corner." It will be an age, according to Scripture "wherein dwelleth righteousness."

To those faithful few who are watching and "occupying" for our Lord, the message is: "When these things begin to come to pass (notice He did not say 'when they are completed, but when they begin to come to pass'), then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."

What should this mean to you as an individual? It should mean getting yourself into a proper relationship with the King, so that according to John 1:12, you can be adopted into His heavenly family: "But as many as receive Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God; even to them that believe on His name."

But remember, along with "sonship" comes responsibility. This means "active occupation" until He returns. It doesn't mean waiting in some spiritual foxhole, folding your holy hands while you pray for Him to come back and rapture you out of the battle. Do you want to "rule and reign with Him?" Then you must become an "overcomer." Only these will "rule and reign with Him." It means getting out of your air-conditioned religious foxhole and get involved in "front line duty" for your Lord. It

means becoming a "good soldier for Jesus Christ;" it means getting involved.

In Revelation 2:26, we read: "He that OVERCOMETH and KEEPETH My words (law) unto the end; to him will I give power over the nations." Compare this with what our Lord said in Matthew 5:19 - "Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least (smallest) commandments, and shall TEACH MEN SO, he shall be called the least (smallest) in the kingdom of heaven; but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven." (What an indictment against those preachers who teach that Christ did away with the Law.)

Finally, in Revelation 3:21 we read: "To him that OVERCOMETH will I grant to sit with me in my throne**..."** The promise to rule does not come automatically because you are a "born again" child of God. It comes through active participation in the spreading, not only the message of personal salvation, but that of National salvation and the Kingdom message. After all, that's what Christ taught us to pray for: "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done ON EARTH, as it is in heaven."

Are you as an individual ready for the day of Christ's return? Will you be able to face Him with confidence, knowing He will be able to say to you: "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many."

This will come, not because you are White. Not because you are fortunate enough to be a member of the "true Israelite race," but because of what you do with Jesus Christ.

Will THAT DAY be one of embarrassment on your part? The choice is yours. Soon the war will be ending and Jesus Christ will be triumphant and will return to rule as KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS. Why don't you get in on the winning side today? "When these things (SIGNS) begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads: for **YOUR REDEMPTION DRAWETH NIGH!"**

The End